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SUBJECT: C-130 E Aircraft

TO: General C. P. Cabell Deputy Director, Central Intelligence Washington 25, D. C.

Dear General Cabell:

- Localing of CIA interest regarding we 130 0000 Subsequent to our conversation aircraft, I was informed that the first E model is not due for completion until March 1962, but you may find the following data useful for future planning. 25X1A

Basically the C-130E is an extended range B model and will be produced to satisfy a MATS requirement. As you well know, manufacturers' specifications are often times optomistic and we have no operational data on the E model. However, since the E is essentially a B with beefed up wing and gear and with two 1360 gallon pylons added plus a 3000 gallon center line tank, the engineering and operational data should closely coincide as was the case with the B model. Hence, we expect a 4000 nautical mile range with a 20,000 pound payload at 20. -25, 000 feet with a true air speed of 290 knots. This is within normal MATS fuel reserve and, or course, can be stretched somewhat.

If you desire, I can arrange to forward more detailed information on the C-130E model as soon as it becomes available.

Sincerely yours,

R. M. MONTGOMERY Major General, U.S. Air Force Assistant Vice Chief of Staff

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